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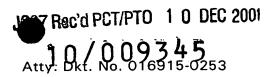
Sir:

In order to comply with the Applicants' duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents cited in the International Search Report of Applicant's International Application No. PCT/EP00/05329. A copy of the International Search Report setting forth the portion of each reference considered relevant by the examiner is attached.

Copies of the documents are not being provided since copies should have been provided directly by WIPO under an exchange program between the PTO, the EPO and the JPO.

Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with M.P.E.P. §609.

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